

REMARKSI. Status of the Claims

Claims 18-22 are pending. Applicants cancel claims 19-22 and amend claim 18 in this response to incorporate the limits of claim 21. Upon entry of the amendment, only claim 18 would remain for consideration. The Examiner should enter the amendment because it puts the case in condition for allowance.

II. Amendment

The Office action indicates that claim 21 is considered allowable if rewritten in independent form. The proposed amendment of claim 18 adopts the Examiner's helpful suggestion. Applicants therefore respectfully request withdrawal of the remaining Section 103(a) rejection based on the combined teachings of Meyer (US 2001/0041777) and Ewen (WO 98/22486). As indicated on page 3 of the Office action, the combined reference teachings do not reasonably suggest complexes of the now-claimed formula.

III. Conclusion

Applicants respectfully ask the Examiner to enter the amendment, reconsider and withdraw the rejections, and pass the case to issue. Applicants invite the Examiner to telephone their attorney at (610) 359-2276 if she believes that a discussion of the application might be helpful.

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